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## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Dear Sir:

- 1) Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98 applicant encloses a Form PTO-1449 and copies of the references listed thereon.

  Applicant requests that the references be made of record.
- This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing of a first Office Action on the merits, to the best knowledge of the undersigned attorney, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.97(b)(3). Thus, a fee is not due for the submission of the present Information Disclosure Statement. Nonetheless, if any fee is properly required in connection with this submission, it may be charged to Deposit Account 50-0507.
- References AA to AH have been discussed in the specification at pages 2 to 4. References AA, AF, AG and AH are in English; Reference AC corresponds to AA from which its relevance can be determined in English. Therefore no further discussion of the references is required.

- 4) Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider all references of record, return an initialed copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 and ensure that all references of record are printed on any patent issuing from this application.
- 5) Favorable consideration and allowance of claims 1 to 9 are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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